FACT SHEET: United States – Ukraine Five Year Partnership Concept

The U.S.-Ukraine Partner Concept codifies enduring principles of the defense relationship between our two countries. The Partner Concept will enhance the effectiveness of U.S. security cooperation efforts, marking the transition of our bilateral relationship from one characterized by crisis response to a more enduring strategic partnership. Cooperative efforts between the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) and the Ukrainian Ministry of Defense (MoD) will follow four main lines of effort:

- **Improve Ukraine's defenses** by bolstering capability to maintain its territorial integrity and protect its population from hostile acts.
- Support Ukrainian defense sector reform to modernize MoD organizations and systems, improve
 civilian control of the military, increase transparency and accountability in defense processes, and
 promote greater interoperability between U.S. and Ukrainian forces.
- Improve Ukraine's defense requirements and resource management processes to generate and support better manned, trained, and equipped forces.
- Enhance defense technology cooperation between our two countries through improved technology security processes and seek ways to encourage industry-to-industry cooperation.

Annual bilateral defense consultations and interim progress reviews will ensure regular senior-level engagement to evaluate progress in these four lines of effort.

The Partner Concept represents a bilateral agreement between the United States and Ukraine, but it does not preclude cooperation with other partners. The United State and Ukraine, in cooperation with other partners, will continue to synchronize assistance and reform efforts through a Multinational Joint Commission to conduct defense cooperation planning, prioritization, and coordination.

The Partner Concept does not obligate any additional funding or resources towards security cooperation programs, but it will enhance the effectiveness of ongoing U.S. security assistance programs by establishing a framework to promote greater mutual participation and investments in Ukraine's security and defense sector. The United States has committed more than \$600 million in security assistance to Ukraine since 2014 for train, equip, and advise efforts to help build the capacity of Ukraine's forces and enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of its defense enterprise.